

ORDER
STAGE 2 FIRE RESTRICTIONS
PRESCOTT NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551, and 36 CFR § 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands within the Prescott National Forest, in the following counties within the state of Arizona: Coconino, Yavapai. The restricted area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, charcoal, coal, or wood stove fire; **36 CFR §261.52(a).**
2. Using an explosive; **36 CFR § 261.52(b).**
3. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building; **36 C.F.R. § 261.52(d).**
4. Operating a chainsaw or other equipment powered by an internal combustion engine, is prohibited from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. **36 C.F.R. § 261.52(h).**
5. Welding or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame; **36 C.F.R. § 261.52(i).**
6. Discharging a firearm, air rifle, or gas gun; except while engaged in a lawful hunt pursuant to state, federal, or tribal laws and regulations; **36 C.F.R § 261.58(m).**

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. The use of petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns or heating devices providing such devices meet the fire underwriter's specifications for safety is allowed.
4. Generators that are specifically designed by the manufacturer and used within an enclosed recreational vehicle such as a motorhome or travel trailer.

AREA DESCRIPTION:

This area affects National Forest System lands within the exterior boundary of the Prescott National Forest.

PURPOSE:

This order is necessary to protect public health and safety due to fire danger.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order becomes effective at 8:00 AM, June 8, 2012 and will remain in force until rescinded or until August 1, 2012, whichever event occurs first.
2. This Order rescinds, replaces and supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order in that area addressed in Exhibit A.

Done at Prescott, AZ, this 5th day of June, 2012

/s/ Betty A. Mathews
BETTY A. MATHEWS
Forest Supervisor
Prescott National Forest

Violations of these regulations is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both; 16 USC § 551, and 18 USC §§ 3559 and 3571.